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REQUEST FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

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Dear Sir:

The initial period for response to the outstanding Office Action, issued February 25, 2003, expired on May 25, 2003.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17, petition is hereby made for a three-month extension of time up to and including August 25, 2003 in which to file a response.

Please charge the amount of \$930.00 for the extension fee to our Deposit Account No. 24-0037.

Authorization is hereby provided to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 24-0037.

Respectfully submitted,

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